

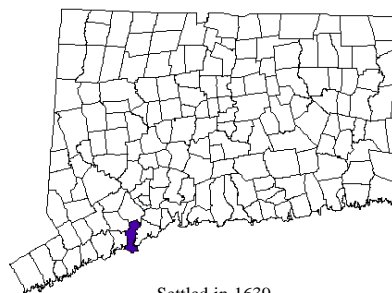
Stratford

Connecticut

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Belongs to
Fairfield County
Bridgeport Labor Market Area
Greater Bridgeport Economic Development
Region
Greater Bridgeport Planning Area



Settled in 1639

Demographics

| <i>Population</i> | <i>Town</i> | <i>County</i> | <i>State</i> | <i>Race/Ethnicity (1990)</i> | <i>Town</i> | <i>County</i> | <i>State</i> |
|--------------------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|---|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| 1990 | 49,389 | 827,645 | 3,287,116 | White | 44,483 | 700,350 | 2,859,353 |
| 1995 | 49,820 | 828,220 | 3,289,090 | Black | 3,899 | 81,519 | 274,269 |
| 2000 | 49,810 | 832,420 | 3,316,120 | Asian Pacific | 400 | 17,332 | 50,698 |
| 2005 | 49,500 | 843,190 | 3,364,080 | Native American | 74 | 1,226 | 6,654 |
| | | | | Other | 533 | 27,218 | 96,142 |
| '95-'05 Growth | -0.6% | 1.8% | 2.3% | Hispanic origin (may be of any race) | 1,771 | 70,818 | 213,116 |
| Land Area | 17.6 | 625.9 | 4,845.4 | | | | |
| Population per square mile | 2,833.5 | 1,323.3 | 678.8 | <i>Educational Attainment (1990)</i> | | | |
| Households | 18,851 | 307,772 | 1,237,000 | Persons age 25 or older | | <i>Town</i> | <i>State</i> |
| | | | | High school graduate | | 12,350 | 648,366 |
| | | | | Some College | | 7,672 | 495,696 |
| | | | | Bachelors or more | | 7,526 | 597,693 |
| <i>Age Distribution (1995)</i> | | | | | | | |
| | 0-4 | 5-14 | 15-34 | 35-49 | 50-64 | 65+ | Total |
| Male | 7% | 13% | 25% | 24% | 15% | 17% | 23,598 |
| Female | 6% | 11% | 22% | 21% | 16% | 24% | 26,222 |
| State Total | 7% | 13% | 27% | 24% | 14% | 14% | 3,289,090 |

Economics

| <i>Number of Establishments (1995)</i> | <i>Town</i> | <i>County</i> | <i>State</i> | <i>Top Ten Assessments (1994)</i> | |
|--|-------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| Manufacturing | 113 | 1,480 | 6,068 | 1. United Aircraft, Sikorsky | \$142,698,890 |
| Services | 467 | 12,870 | 39,011 | 2. Avco Corp (Allied Signal) | 24,984,800 |
| Trade - Retail | 262 | 5,427 | 20,251 | 3. Mobil Oil | 15,757,160 |
| Trade - Wholesale | 133 | 2,689 | 9,858 | 4. Dictaphone | 14,474,900 |
| Finance, Insurance and Real Estate | 105 | 2,997 | 8,809 | 5. Dock Inc. | 14,065,120 |
| Total Establishments | 1,316 | 30,755 | 104,409 | 6. United Illuminating | 12,504,430 |
| Per Capita Income | \$29,082 | \$41,082 | \$30,303 | 7. Dresser Industries | 11,744,150 |
| Retail Sales (thousands) | \$267,402 | \$27,231,413 | | 8. Stonybrook Gardens | 10,967,280 |
| | | | | 9. Wm B Meyer Inc. | 10,416,080 |
| | | | | 10. Parkview Associates | 8,493,000 |
| | | | | As % of Grand List | 7.1 |

Education

Grade organization (number of schools): K-6 (9), 7-8 (2), 9-12 (2)

1994-1995 School Year

| | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Total students | 6,537 |
| Total expenditures per pupil | \$8,361 |
| Average teacher's salary | \$52,690 |
| Students attending public school | 87.3 % |
| Students in extended day kindergarten | 269 |
| Graduates attending four year college | 57.8 % |

Connecticut Mastery Test Percent Above Goal

| | Grade 4 | Grade 6 | Grade 8 |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Reading | 47.4 | 68.1 | 71.0 |
| Math | 54.1 | 44.1 | 48.6 |
| Writing | 33.2 | 44.0 | 25.8 |

Average Class Size

| | | | | | |
|--------------|------|---------|------|-------------|------|
| Kindergarten | 19.0 | Grade 5 | 22.2 | High School | 20.4 |
| Grade 2 | 19.3 | Grade 7 | 21.7 | | |

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Government

Government Form Council- Manager

| | | | | | |
|-----------------------|---------------|-----------------------|--------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| 1993-1994 | | Total Expenditures | \$93,994,039 | Equalized Grand List | \$3,748,515,790 |
| Total revenue | \$100,671,945 | Education | \$45,256,088 | Per capita | \$78,514 |
| Tax revenue | \$81,347,255 | Other | \$48,737,951 | As % of state average | 100.3 |
| Non-tax revenue | \$19,324,690 | Total Indebtness | \$77,426,475 | Date of last revaluation | 10/1/91 |
| Intergovernmental | 16.7% | As % of expenditures | 82.4 | Moody's Bond Rating | Baa1 |
| Per capita tax | \$1,704 | Per capita | \$1,622 | Actual mill rate | 52.20 |
| As % of state average | 85.4 | As % of state average | 84.2 | Equalized mill rate | 21.85 |
| | | Annual Debt Service | \$7,976,707 | Voting districts | 10 |
| | | As % of expenditures | 8.5 | | |

Housing

| | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|---------------------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|
| 1994 | | | | | | | |
| <i>Housing Stock</i> | <i>Town</i> | <i>County</i> | <i>State</i> | <i>Sales Price Distribution</i> | | | |
| Existing Units (total) | 20,402 | 329,899 | 1,351,825 | Number of Sales | <i>Town</i> | <i>County</i> | <i>State</i> |
| % Single unit detached | 73.9 | 63.8 | 62.4 | Less than \$75,000 | 126 | 2,408 | 11,328 |
| New Permits Authorized (total) | 69 | 2,327 | 9,439 | \$75,001-\$150,000 | 438 | 3,295 | 19,828 |
| % Single unit detached | 44.9 | 66.0 | 80.6 | \$150,001-\$250,000 | 219 | 4,028 | 11,132 |
| As % of Existing Units | 0.3 | 0.7 | 0.7 | \$250,001-\$400,000 | 24 | 3,009 | 4,662 |
| | | | | \$400,001 or more | 3 | 2,606 | 3,137 |
| <i>Residential Sales</i> | | | | | | | |
| Number | 810 | 15,346 | 50,087 | | | | |
| Average price | \$130,157 | \$271,408 | \$171,382 | | | | |
| Median price | \$129,700 | \$190,000 | \$126,000 | | | | |

Labor Force

| | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|--------------------------|-------|-----------------------------|-------|
| 1994 | <i>Town</i> | <i>County</i> | <i>State</i> | <i>Commuters (1990)</i> | | | |
| Labor Force | 25,616 | 440,485 | 1,726,000 | Commuters into Town from | | Town Residents Commuting to | |
| Employed | 24,081 | 419,062 | 1,630,000 | 1. Stratford | 7,732 | Stratford | 7,732 |
| Unemployed | 1,535 | 21,423 | 96,000 | 2. Bridgeport | 5,307 | Bridgeport | 5,883 |
| Unemployment Rate | 6.0% | 4.9% | 5.6% | 3. Milford | 2,853 | Fairfield | 1,406 |
| | | | | 4. Shelton | 2,154 | Norwalk | 1,349 |
| Total Employment | 28,160 | 400,440 | 1,538,980 | 5. Trumbull | 1,316 | Trumbull | 1,348 |
| Manufacturing | 13,390 | 82,090 | 270,250 | 6. West Haven | 960 | Milford | 1,299 |
| | | | | 7. Fairfield | 843 | Shelton | 872 |
| | | | | 8. Ansonia | 826 | Stamford | 792 |
| | | | | 9. Derby | 700 | Westport | 667 |
| | | | | 10. Seymour | 695 | New Haven | 399 |

Quality of Life

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|------------------------|-------------|--------------|----------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1995 | <i>Town</i> | <i>State</i> | <i>Library (1993-1994)</i> | <i>Town</i> | <i>Residential Utilities (1995)</i> | | |
| Miles to State Capitol | 50 | | Total books and serials | 119,186 | Electric Company | | |
| Visitor Attractions | 3 | 488 | Weekly hours open | 52 | United Illuminating | | |
| Banks | 13 | 1,188 | Circulation per capita | 4.7 | Typical basic rate | | |
| Lodging | 5 | 467 | Crime rate (1994) | | \$9.50 + 11.7257c/kwh | | |
| Number of units | 351 | 26,540 | per 1,000 residents | 35.0 | Typical heat rate | | |
| Day Care Facilities | 21 | 1,669 | Hospitals in county (1995) | 7 | \$14.00 + 14.300c/kwh | | |
| | | | Total beds | 2,230 | Gas Company | | |
| | | | | | Southern CT Gas | | |
| | | | | | Typical rate | | |
| | | | | | \$8.25 + 98.18c/Ccf | | |